

worthy Lemmon," and which "proves to be not a *Coldenia*, as at first supposed, but a neat, new genus," etc. "And now Lemmon's devotion to Mrs. Parry," (alluding to *Gilia Parrya*.) "is rewarded. I mean to rejoice the eccles of his sensitive heart, and do a just deed by naming this humble but interesting plant, *Lemmonia Californica*! I take the specific name," (*Californica*.) he adds, "in order to send Lemmon's name down to posterity along with that of his adopted State, in which the most of his arduous labor for botany has been performed. Please forward this letter to him," he concludes, "with my continued regards and a rousing cheer for *Lemmonia Californica*! Hurrah! Yours, ever, A. GRAY."—J. G. LEMMON, *Sierra Valley, Cal.*

FLORA OF NORTH AMERICA, BY ASA GRAY.—This is part of a work that we have all been waiting for and is one that must be in the library of every working botanist. The Flora of North America by Torrey and Gray stopped, thirty-five years ago, at the end of the order *Compositae*. This part is the first of Volume second, containing *Gnomo-petalae* after *Compositae*. The intention is to conclude the second volume with two more parts, Part II containing *Apctale* and *Gymnospermae*, and Part III, *Monocotyledones* and Vascular Cryptogamia. Then the first volume will be worked over and brought to date. Thus the whole work will consist of two volumes, imperial octavo, of about 1,200 pages each. It is hardly necessary to refer to the style and general arrangement of the volume. The name of its author guarantees to us the most philosophical arrangement along with terse and lucid descriptions. It is a fit crowning work for a long life devoted to the earnest study of North American botany. We hope that the demands for this volume will encourage Dr. Gray to prepare for an early publication of the remaining parts. The price is fixed at the very low sum of five dollars. For this sum, the *Curator of Harvard University Herbarium, Cambridge, Mass.*, will send a copy by mail, paying the postage, to any post office address within the United States. The retail price at the publishers is six dollars. Let me urge upon all the readers of the GAZETTE who have not already provided themselves with copies, to send at once for this volume, for it marks an era in the history of North American botany and does away with the necessity of a whole library of government reports, special contributions, proceedings of societies, etc., etc.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.—We have space merely to acknowledge the receipt of a few of the journals and special publications sent to this office since the last issue.

*American Journal of Science and Arts*, May and June.

*American Naturalist*, June.

*Bulletin of the Torrey Botanical Club*, April and May.

*The Valley Naturalist*, May and June.

*Proceedings of the Davenport Academy of Natural Sciences*, Vol. II, Part I.

*Catalogue of the Phanogamous and Cryptogamous Plants* (including Lichens) of the Dominion of Canada, John Macoun, Belleville, Ont. Price 35 cents; four for one dollar.

*La Belgique Horticole*, January, February and March, 1878.

*Actes du Congrès de Botanique Horticole tenu à Bruxelles*, May, 1876. M. Edouard Morren, Secretary.

*Field and Forest*, March.

*Tsuda's Agricultural Monthly*, Tokio, Japan, 4 Nos.